

MayorandCouncillors

Schedule 55 to the Minutes of
the Public Hearing meeting of
Richmond City Council held on
Tuesday, September 8, 2015.

To Public Hearing
Date: <u>SEPT. 8 2015</u>
Item # <u>6</u>
Re: <u>BYLAWS 9280 +</u>
<u>9281</u>

From: JON HENDERSON <trollhen3@shaw.ca>
Sent: Monday, 7 September 2015 12:02
To: MayorandCouncillors
Subject: Bylaw 9280

Categories: 12-8060-20-9280

Dear Councillors and city staff,

As home owners at 8271 Rideau Drive, we are concerned about the height and size of the new homes being built in our subdivision and Richmond in general. Apparently Bylaw 9280 is to set limits on new single family homes regarding height and size. We feel that the proposed 10.5 meter limit is too high and that a more realistic 9 meter limit be considered. Bylaw9280 also proposes that a ceiling height of 5 meters will determine whether a room's floor area be counted twice. It is our understanding that in the neighbouring communities of Vancouver, Surrey and Burnaby the room's floor is counted twice if the ceiling is higher than 3.7 meters. If this is a fact, why aren't we following their lead? As homeowners at this address for 39 years, we are also concerned that these new mega-homes are lacking significant green space because of the building's size on the property. We are also concerned that some of these properties appear to be unoccupied for extended periods. Has there been any consideration given to a Bylaw concerning premises that remain unoccupied for extended periods?

Yours truly,

Jon and Marit Henderson

Sent from my iPad

